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AMENDMENT & REMARKS ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Advisory Action dated March 30, 2007, having a shortened statutory period expiring on March 30, 2007. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time setting a new time for response of April 30, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

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No amendments to the specification or drawings are presented in this paper.

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